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Dash Pot Mounting Brackets:

The request for the dash pots came into being after the GSA building contractor had been paid for completion.

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The bracket design was a joint effort and some redesign was accomplished [] when certain field realities became apparent (i.e., leveling capability with case hardened bolts).

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At this time [] agreed to an installation procedure (i.e., the brackets would be mounted immediately, but the grouting would be accomplished after all alignment of the machine had been accomplished). The bracket design came under scrutiny as the forces to be encountered were suspect. An outside consultant was obtained to help determine the magnitude of the forces and it was determined that the brackets did not require any additional strengthening.

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The [] people then decided that the brackets would have to be grouted before they could proceed. Material was difficult to find and working conditions extremely difficult. Trouble with the dams was encountered. The subcontractor that mounted the brackets failed to properly close two of the thru pipes and additional grout was required.

We believe had the original schedule been followed that no delays would have been encountered and therefore see no justification for the 268 hours claimed.

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Closing the Room:

The [] people refused to allow the GSA people assigned to bull the panels into place for fear of their equipment (i.e., overhead work). They offered their own services to help the one man

supplied by the room contractor. The hours of standby do not coincide with the time submitted by the room contractor's sub-contractor. Because the [] people did pitch in we recommend consideration of these hours.

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Post July 6 down time:

There are several items that bear scrutiny:

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1. The systems designed were to [] requirements. These requirements were changed substantially during the installation and the change required time and materiel.
 - a. System S had a 16" press.blower that was not required. This had to be removed and adjustments made in the ducting.
 - b. The "Punkah" air outlet velocity was too great for the laser and we are still waiting for a revised cfm and/or velocity []
 - c. The E system was designed for a run around system. We have repeatedly requested that the cabinets be gasketed, and to date they have made no motion towards this end.
 - d. The plans (which were submitted [] for review prior to construction) called for leaving condition control [] these controls be moved to control supply positions.

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